

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: [Waiters and Waitresses \(35-3031\)](#)

Associated Occupation: [Cooks, Short Order \(35-2015\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 83

Focus Occupation: Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	12.0	14.3	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Food Production	2.1	11.1	9.3	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Production and Processing	6.0	10.8	4.7	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 91

Focus Occupation: Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)

Associated Occupation: Cooks, Short Order (35-2015)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Service Orientation	7.9	8.5	9.9	> Skill level is likely sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 80

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Associated Occupation: Cooks, Short Order (35-2015)

Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Manual Dexterity	6.5	8.6	8.0	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Time Sharing	6.6	8.5	7.1	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Trunk Strength	5.7	7.7	10.0	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Extent Flexibility	4.8	7.1	7.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Stamina	4.0	5.9	8.7	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Gross Body Coordination	3.9	5.4	7.2	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Speed of Limb Movement	3.2	5.1	5.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Calculate monetary exchange	67
Carve meat or bone fish or fowl	85
Clean rooms or work areas	30
Collect payment	49
Obtain information from individuals	24
Prepare appetizers, salads, or cold dishes	80
Prepare beverages	81
Provide customer service	14
Serve food or beverages	70
Understand government health, hotel or food service regulations	68
Use knowledge of food handling rules	71

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 81

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Calculating machines and accessories	3
Computer data input devices	2

Computer displays	18
Computers	1
Cookware and kitchen tools	33
Industry specific software	1

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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